(b) to what extent the industrial development in backward areas is being fostered; and

(c) whether the policy will be strengthened to encourage industries in backward areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) With a view to bringing about regional dispersal of industries, Government is operating a Growth Centre Scheme. Under the scheme, the selected centres would be provided with all basic infrastructural facilities at a cost of Rs. 25-30 crores so that these act as focal points of industrialisation. The Scheme is being implemented during the Eighth Five Year Plan. In addition, Government is also operating a Transport Subsidy Scheme for industrialisation of the North Eastern States, Himachal Pradesh, J&K and certain hill districts of Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.

(c) Industrialisation of any area is the responsibility of the State Government concerned. The Central Government supplement their efforts wherever possible.

Sick Public Sector Units

548. MISS. SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of sick Central Public Sector Units whose cases are pending before the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) at present;

(b) whether Government have received any proposal for the revival of such units; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) BIFR have so far registered 45 sick Central Public Sector Enterprises out of which they have recommended winding up in respect of three public sector units.

Tax concessions to Maruti

549. SHRI CHIMANBHAIMEHTA: SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: SHRI SARADA MOHANTY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of tax concessions offered to Maruti in excise, customs and sales tax;

(b) whether Maruti is being favoured on customs duty, if so, how and why; and

(c) what is total out-flow of foreign exchange for imports of Maruti and foreign exchange earning by Maruti?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) Maruti has not been given any special concession in respect of excise or sales tax. Government has, however, exempted under Section 25 of the Customs Act, the import duties payable on capital goods being imported for the expansion of Maruti's production capacity, and production of the YE2 car. This exemption was given with the object of promoting exports. Government has announced that such exemption would be available to others also, in similar circumstances.

(c) During 1992-93, Maruti Udyog Limited spent US$ 60.21 million for the import of components, and earned US$ 56.97 million.

Foreign investment proposals cleared by Government

550. SHRI S. AUSTIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently cleared 22 proposals of foreign direct invest ment; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT KRISHNA S AHI): (a) and (b) The Empowered Committee on Foreign Investment at their meeting held on 14th February, 1994 have approved 50 proposals for foreign direct investment. These proposals envisage total foreign direct investment of over Rs. 700 crores. The approved projects are in sectors such as Electronics, Computer Software, Wind Energy parks, Electrial Goods, Consultancy services, Financial Services, Food Processing industries, Leather products, Foreign language institute, Flying Academy, Medical Equiments, Trading, Shipping, Textiles, Drugs & Pharmaceuticals etc.

Setting up of heavy industries in Tamil Nadu

551. SHRI S. AUSTIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a number of propsals to establish core heavy indsutries in Tamil Nadu during the last three years;

(b) the action taken by Government thereon; and

(c) the places where these are likely to be established?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) 309 applications for grant of Industrial Licences were received during the years 1991 to 1993 for setting up of various industries in Tamil Nadu.

(b) 153 Letters of Intent were issued, 76 applications were rejected and 50 did not require licence/were withdrawn upto 1.2.94

(c) The proposed locations pertain mostly to districts i.e. Kamaraj, North Arcot, South Arcot, Madurai, Kanyakumari, Chingleput (Chengai Anna), Coimbatore, Madras, Salem, Tanjavur, etc.,

सरकारी क्षेत्र के रुग्ण उपक्रमों में छंटनी किये गये कर्मचारियों के लिए पुन: रोजगार

552. **चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह:** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि रुग्ण उपक्रमों के उन कर्मचारियों, जिनकी छंटनी किये जाने की संभावना है, को पुन: प्रशिक्षण देकर पुन; रोजगार पर लगाने हेतु कोई प्रयास नहीं किये गये हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) पिछले दो वर्षों के दौरान उन्हें पुन: प्रशिक्षण देकर उन्हें पुन: रोजगार पर लगाने के लिए की गई कार्यवाही का वर्षवार ब्यौरा क्या है?

उद्योग मंत्रालय (औद्योगिक विकास विभाग) में राज्य मंत्री और उद्योग मंत्रालय (भारी उद्योग विभाग) में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती कृष्णा साही): (क) से (ग) आवश्यक सामग्री एकत्र की जाएगी तथा सभा-पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

ऐसी विदेशी कंपनियां जिन्हें उद्योग लगाने की अनुमति दी गई

553. **चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह:** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान भारत में किन-किन विदेशी कंपनियों को उद्योग लगाने की अनुमति प्रदान की गई है; और

(ख) वे कंपनियां किन-किन देशों से संबंधित हैं?

उद्योग मंत्रालय (औद्योगिक विकास विभाग) में राज्य मंत्री और उद्योग मंत्रालय (भारी उद्योग विभाग) में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती कृष्णा साही): (क) और (ख) अगस्त, 1991 से दिसम्बर 1993 तक 30 विदेशी कंपनियों को भारत में पूर्ण स्वामित्व वाली अनुषंगी/उद्योग स्थापित करने की अनुमति दी गई है। इन विदेशी कंपनियों के नाम तथा संबंधित देशों के नाम संलग्ण विवरण में दिए गए हैं।